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In re Patent Application of: :
: Ralph et al. :
: Application No.: 10/781,021 : Group Art Unit: 3738
: Filed: February 18, 2004 : Examiner: B. E.
: Pellegrino
: For: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE : Confirmation No. 2824
: UTILIZING A BELLEVILLE WASHER
: HAVING RADIALY EXTENDING
: GROOVES

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

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This is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed October 20, 2006, in the above-identified U.S. patent application.

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